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1. In December 1947, a Military Affairs Committee, composed of Chinese Communist, Soviet and North Korean members, was established in North Korea.

2. The chairman of the committee is CH'OE Yong-kon (崔庸健). There are two vice-chairmen. One is a Korean name, KIM Un-chi (金恩之); the other is an unidentified Soviet official.

25X1A [REDACTED] Comment: CH'OE Tong-kon is commander-in-chief of the North Korean People's Army.)

3. The principal duties of the committee are as follows:

a. To supervise the procurement of young men for the Korean Volunteer Army (KVA).

b. To provide for the families of those Koreans serving with the KVA.

c. To make arrangements for the transportation of wounded KVA soldiers from Manchuria to North Korea.

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